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In re the application of: Nobukazu IKOMA, Takeya MIYASHITA and Akihiro

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 CFR §1.114)

1.	Applicant hereby requests continued	d examination,	in accordance	with 37	CFR	§1.114	l, for
the	above identified application.						

the	e above identified application.
2.	This request is being submitted:
	i. [X] Prior to abandonment of the application
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	iii. [] Prior to a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences
	[] A notice is being separately sent to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences that this Request for Continued Examination is being filed.
	iv. [] Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals of the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. 145 or
	[] Commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. 146
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	[] Amendment filed							
	[] Brief on Appeal filed							
	[] Other:							
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	[X] An Amendment	<u>.</u>						
	[] New arguments	New arguments						
	[] New evidence in	New evidence in support of patentability						
	[] Other:							
	The filing fee has b	een calculated a	s shown	below:				
	RCE Filing Fee (37	CFR §1.17(e))					\$	790.00
	Claims	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	No of Extra Claims Present			
	Total Claims	6	Minus	20	0	\$ 50.00		
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Respectfully submitted,

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